

REMARKS

Claims 1-3 are currently pending. The Examiner contends that the application contains two patentably distinct species:

Species 1: As in figures 1-5 (Claims 1 and 2); and

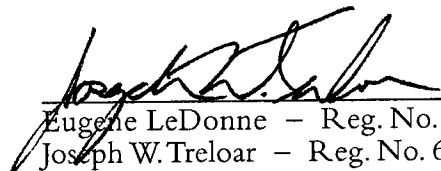
Species 2: As in figures 6-8 (Claim 3).

Restriction Requirement (08/26/09), P. 2.

Applicant provisionally elects to proceed with Species 1 as in figures 1-5, corresponding to Claims 1 and 2.

Based upon the above remarks, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of this application and its early allowance. Should the Examiner feel that a telephone conference with Applicant's attorney would expedite the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is urged to contact him at the number indicated below.

Respectfully submitted,



Eugene LeDonne – Reg. No. 35,930
Joseph W. Treloar – Reg. No. 60,975
REEDSMITH LLP
599 Lexington Avenue
New York, NY 10022
Tel.: 212.521.5400

EL:JWT
502740.20005